

Locations

Mines Library

Whitney Block, Room 1603
Queen's Park, Toronto
Phone: 965-1352
Head Librarian: Mrs. Nancy Kavanagh
Hours: 8:15 - 4:30

Natural Resources Library

Whitney Block, Room 4508
Queen's Park, Toronto
Phone: 965-6319
Head Librarian: Mrs. Sandra Louët
Hours: 8:15 - 4:30

Research Library

Maple
Phone: 832-2261, loc. 247
Head Librarian: Mrs. Pauline Marks
Hours: 8:15 - 4:30

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Library Services



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Mines Library

Collection

The Mines Library is the depository for all publications issued by the Geological Branch. Other holdings include publications of the Geological Surveys and Mines Branches of Canada and the U.S., provincial publications on mining and geology, and those of states bordering the Great Lakes. A small working collection of texts and monographs is maintained, mainly in the fields of geology, mineralogy, mining technology, geochemistry, geophysics and petrology. Scientific journals and mining newspapers and magazines are received. The map collection includes all maps issued by the former Dept. of Mines since 1891 and federal geological and aeromagnetic maps. The reference area contains specialized indexes, abstracts and bibliographies dealing with earth sciences. Other special collections include proceedings and guidebooks from International Geological Congresses, annual reports of Ontario mining companies, material on Precambrian areas of the world and theses on the geology of Ontario.

Services

A monthly accessions list is sent to staff and to other libraries, mining companies and interested individuals. Journal contents pages are circulated to staff. Although no publications may be removed from the library, photocopying is done for the public at a nominal charge. Inter-library loans may be obtained by special arrangement.

Who may use the library

The library is primarily maintained as a reference source for Ministerial staff. Service also is provided for the mining industry. Students and the public are welcome to use the facilities when material is unavailable elsewhere in Toronto.

Natural Resources Library

Collection

The Natural Resources Library concentrates on subjects related to renewable resources with emphasis on the areas of forestry, fish, wildlife, parks and recreation, land-use planning, hydrology, resource economics and ecology. The reference collection includes specialized yearbooks, indexes, abstracts, bibliographies, directories and annual reports dealing with natural resources.

Scientific journals are received.

Services

A monthly accessions list is issued to staff and interested libraries.

Contents pages of selected periodicals are circulated to staff.

Bibliographies, literature searches and other reference services are provided. On request the library staff assembles information and lends it to Ministry personnel throughout the province. If the library does not have the required materials, other libraries are contacted and inter-library loans negotiated.

The library has a reader-printer which takes microfilm and microfiche.

Who may use the library

The library exists primarily for the Ministry. Other libraries may borrow from the collection. Students and the public may use the facilities when working on special projects.

Research Library

Collection

The Research Library concentrates on subjects related to fisheries, forestry, wildlife, agriculture, earth sciences, energy, environment, history, information sciences, technology, libraries, archives, medical sciences, nuclear sciences, public health, recreation, sports and statistical methods.

Services

Accession lists and contents pages of periodicals are issued. Reference services include literature searches, compilation of bibliographies, abstracts, indexes and selective lists. An environmental science current awareness service is provided. Interlibrary cooperation is world-wide.

Photocopies of requested articles are provided.

The library has a reader-printer which takes microfilm and microfiche.

Who may use the library

The library serves research personnel not only within the Ministry but in other provincial, national and international agencies. Universities and schools also may use library material.